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INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

(PCT Article 18 and Rules 43 and 44)

Applicant's or agent's file reference 16963	FOR FURTHER ACTION see Notification of Transmittal of International Search Report (Form PCT/ISA/220) as well as, where applicable, item 5 below.	
International application No. PCT/US 02/ 31943	International filing date (day/month/year) 24/09/2002	(Earliest) Priority Date (day/month/year) 09/11/2001
Applicant KIMBERLY-CLARK WORLDWIDE, INC.		

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B. FIELDS SEARCHED

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